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WATER UTILITY

October 7, 2009

Mr. Michael E. Newmark Administrative Law Judge PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN 610 N. Whitney Way P.O. Box 7854 Madison, WI 53707-7854

Re:

Milwaukee Water Works Rate Increase Request

Docket No. 3720-WR-107

Dear Mr. Whitcomb:

Representing the City of Mequon and Mequon Water Utility, I hereby formally request *Full Party Status* in the above docket concerning the Milwaukee Water Works (Milwaukee) rate increase request. I have received a copy of the rate application document that was electronically filed with the PSCW on September 2, 2009.

The city worked hard to lower rates for Mequon Water Utility customers by acquiring the We Energies system earlier this year. To be sure, Mequon Water Utility customers expect to pay the full cost of water service. That includes both operations and maintenance, as well as capital improvement costs. We are concerned, however, that Mequon's water utility rate payers will be asked to subsidize non-water related expenditures for City of Milwaukee residents.

Sincerely,

Lee Szymborski City Administrator City of Mequon